

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appln No.:	09/681,403	)	<u>Confirmation No. 3278</u>
Applicants:	Tore Fosse et al.	)	<u>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</u>
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**AMENDMENT**

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In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including marked-up drawing figures is attached following page 6 of this paper.



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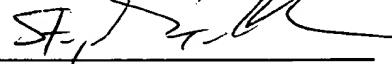
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment/reply in the above-identified application.

A paper requesting correction/substitution of drawings is attached.  
 No additional fee is required.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Independent Claims	1	9	** =	0 x \$ 84.00	= \$ 0.00
Total Claims	3	26	* =	0 x \$ 18.00	= \$ 0.00
Fee for Multiply Dependent Claims				\$ 280.00	
** At least 3				Total Additional Fee	\$ 0.00
* At least 20					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant(s) assert entitlement to Small Entity Status, thus reducing the fee by half to:					\$ 0.00
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